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At the end of subtitle G of title XII, add the following:

1 **SEC. __. MATTERS RELATING TO COOPERATIVE THREAT**
2 **REDUCTION PROGRAMS AND WEAPONS OF**
3 **MASS DESTRUCTION TERRORISM.**

4 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
5 United States to ensure—

6 (1) to the extent practicable, the agents, precursors,
7 sors, and materials needed to produce weapons of
8 mass destruction are placed beyond the reach of terrorist
9 organizations and other malicious non-state
10 actors;

11 (2) the number of foreign states that possess
12 weapons of mass destruction is declining; and

13 (3) the global quantity of weapons of mass destruction
14 and related materials is reduced.

15 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress
16 that—

17 (1) diplomatic outreach, threat reduction and
18 foreign capacity-building programs, export controls,
19 and the promotion of international treaties and

1 norms are all essential elements of accomplishing the
2 core national security mission of preventing, detect-
3 ing, countering, and responding to threats of weap-
4 ons of mass destruction terrorism; and

5 (2) the potentially devastating consequences of
6 weapons of mass destruction terrorism pose a sig-
7 nificant risk to United States national security.

8 (c) REPORT ON LINES OF EFFORT TO IMPLEMENT
9 POLICIES.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
11 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and an-
12 nually thereafter, the President, acting through the
13 Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, the
14 Secretary of Energy, and the Director of National
15 Intelligence, shall submit to the appropriate congres-
16 sional committees a report on each line of effort to
17 implement the policies described in subsection (a)
18 and the budgets required to implement each such
19 line of effort effectively.

20 (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report
21 required by this subsection should include the fol-
22 lowing:

23 (A) An assessment of nuclear, radiological,
24 biological, and chemical terrorism and foreign

1 state risks and other emerging risks facing the
2 United States and its allies, including—

3 (i) the status of foreign state, state-
4 affiliated, and non-state actors efforts to
5 acquire nuclear, radiological, biological,
6 and chemical weapons and their intent to
7 misuse weapons-related materials;

8 (ii) any actions by foreign state, state-
9 affiliated, and non-state actors employing
10 weapons of mass destruction;

11 (iii) an update on—

12 (I) the risk of biological threats,
13 including the proliferation of biologi-
14 cal weapons, weapons components,
15 and weapons-related materials, tech-
16 nology, and expertise to non-state ac-
17 tors;

18 (II) the risk of accidental release
19 of dangerous pathogens due to unsafe
20 practices and facilities; and

21 (III) the risk of uncontrolled nat-
22 urally occurring disease outbreaks
23 that may pose a threat to the United
24 States or its Armed Forces or allies;
25 and

1 (iv) the status of national efforts to
2 meet obligations to provide effective secu-
3 rity and accounting for nuclear weapons
4 and for all weapons-useable nuclear mate-
5 rials in foreign states that possess such
6 weapons and materials.

7 (B) A strategy to reduce the risk of nu-
8 clear, radiological, biological, and chemical ter-
9 rorism over the next five years, including—

10 (i) ensuring, to the extent prac-
11 ticable—

12 (I) the agents, precursors, and
13 materials needed to develop or acquire
14 weapons of mass destruction are
15 placed beyond the reach of terrorist
16 organizations and other malicious
17 non-state actors;

18 (II) the number of foreign states
19 that possess weapons of mass destruc-
20 tion is declining; and

21 (III) the global quantity of weap-
22 ons of mass destruction and related
23 materials is reduced;

24 (ii) identifying and responding to
25 technological trends that may enable ter-

1 rorist or state development, acquisition, or
2 use of weapons of mass destruction;
3 (iii) a plan to prevent the proliferation
4 of biological weapons, weapons compo-
5 nents, and weapons-related materials, tech-
6 nology, and expertise, which shall include
7 activities that facilitate detection and re-
8 porting of highly pathogenic diseases or
9 other diseases that are associated with or
10 that could be used as an early warning
11 mechanism for disease outbreaks that
12 could affect the United States or its
13 Armed Forces or allies, regardless of
14 whether such diseases are caused by bio-
15 logical weapons;
16 (iv) regional engagement to reduce
17 nuclear, biological, and chemical risks;
18 (v) engagement with foreign states,
19 where possible, on security for nuclear
20 weapons and weapons-useable nuclear and
21 radioactive material, including protection
22 against insider threats, strengthening of
23 security culture, and support for security
24 performance testing; and

1 (vi) a recommendation to establish a
2 joint Department of Defense and Depart-
3 ment of Energy program—

4 (I) to assess the verification, se-
5 curity, and implementation require-
6 ments associated with potential future
7 arms reduction or denuclearization ac-
8 cords,

9 (II) identify gaps in existing and
10 planned capabilities; and

11 (III) provide recommendations
12 for developing needed capabilities to
13 fill those gaps.

14 (3) FORM.—The report required by this sub-
15 section shall be submitted in unclassified form, but
16 may contain a classified annex.

17 (d) SENSE OF CONGRESS ON REVITALIZING INTER-
18 NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY PROGRAMS.—It is the
19 sense of Congress that—

20 (1) the United States Government should ex-
21 pand and revitalize its international nuclear security
22 programs, as necessary;

23 (2) such an expanded nuclear security effort
24 should seek to be comprehensive and close, to the ex-

1 tent possible, any gaps that exist in United States
2 nuclear security programs; and

3 (3) the Secretary of State should seek to co-
4 operate with as many foreign states with nuclear
5 weapons, weapons-usable nuclear materials, or sig-
6 nificant nuclear facilities as possible to—

7 (A) ensure protection against the full spec-
8 trum of plausible threats, including support for
9 evaluating nuclear security threats and meas-
10 ures to protect against such threats, exchanging
11 unclassified threat information, holding work-
12 shops with experts from each country, and hav-
13 ing teams review the adequacy of security
14 against a range of threats;

15 (B) establish comprehensive, multilayered
16 protections against insider threats, including in-
17 depth exchanges on good practices in insider
18 threat protection, workshops, help with appro-
19 priate vulnerability assessments, and peer re-
20 view by expert teams;

21 (C) establish targeted programs to
22 strengthen nuclear security culture;

23 (D) institute effective, regular vulnerability
24 assessments and performance testing through
25 workshops, peer observation of such activities in

1 the United States, training, and description of
2 approaches that have been effective; and

3 (E) consolidate nuclear weapons and weap-
4 ons-usable nuclear materials to the minimum
5 practical number of locations.

6 (e) ASSESSMENT OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUC-
7 TION TERRORISM.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense, in
9 coordination with the Secretary of State and the
10 Secretary of Energy, shall seek to enter into an ar-
11 rangement with the National Academy of Sciences—

12 (A) to conduct an assessment of strategies
13 of the United States for preventing, countering,
14 and responding to nuclear, biological, and
15 chemical terrorism assess and make rec-
16 ommendations to improve such strategies; and

17 (B) submit to the Secretary of Defense a
18 report that contains such assessment and rec-
19 ommendations.

20 (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The assess-
21 ment and recommendations required by paragraph
22 (1) shall address the adequacy of strategies de-
23 scribed in such paragraph and identify technical,
24 policy, and resource gaps with respect to—

1 (A) identifying national and international
2 nuclear, biological, and chemical risks and crit-
3 ical emerging threats;

4 (B) preventing state-sponsored and non-
5 state actors from acquiring or misusing the
6 technologies, materials, and critical expertise
7 needed to carry out nuclear, biological, and
8 chemical attacks, including dual-use tech-
9 nologies, materials, and expertise;

10 (C) countering efforts by state-sponsored
11 and non-state actors to carry out such attacks;

12 (D) responding to nuclear, biological, and
13 chemical terrorism incidents to attribute their
14 origin and help manage their consequences;

15 (E) budgets likely to be required to imple-
16 ment effectively such strategies; and

17 (F) other important matters that are di-
18 rectly relevant to such strategies.

19 (3) REPORT.—

20 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of De-
21 fense shall submit to the appropriate congres-
22 sional committees a copy of the report received
23 by the Secretary under paragraph (1)(B).

1 (B) FORM.—The report required by this
2 paragraph shall be submitted in unclassified
3 form, but may contain a classified annex.

4 (4) FUNDING.—

5 (A) INCREASE.—Notwithstanding the
6 amounts set forth in the funding tables in divi-
7 sion D, the amount authorized to be appro-
8 priated in section 301 for research, develop-
9 ment, test, and evaluation, as specified in the
10 corresponding funding table in section 4301, for
11 Operations and Maintenance, Defense-wide, Co-
12 operative Threat Reduction, Line 10, is hereby
13 increased by \$1,000,000 to carry out this sub-
14 section.

15 (B) OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the
16 amounts set forth in the funding tables in divi-
17 sion D, the amount authorized to be appro-
18 priated in section 301 for operation and main-
19 tenance as specified in the corresponding fund-
20 ing table in section 4301, for operation and
21 maintenance, Air Force, admin & servicewide
22 activities, servicewide communications, line 440,
23 is hereby reduced by \$1,000,000.

24 (f) REPORT ON COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION
25 PROGRAMS.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and an-
3 nually thereafter at the same time that the Presi-
4 dent submits the budget to Congress under section
5 1105 of title 31, United States Code, the President
6 shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-
7 mittees a report on—

8 (A) the programs of each Federal agency
9 that are intended to reduce threat of nuclear,
10 radiological, biological, and chemical weapons to
11 the United States or its Armed Forces or allies;

12 (B) a description of the operations of such
13 programs and how such programs advance the
14 mission of reducing the threat of nuclear, radio-
15 logical, biological, and chemical weapons to the
16 United States or its Armed Forces or allies;
17 and

18 (C) recommendations on how to evaluate
19 the success of such programs, how to identify
20 opportunities for collaboration between such
21 programs, how to eliminate crucial gaps not
22 filled by such programs, and how to ensure that
23 such programs are complementary to other pro-
24 grams across the United States Government.

1 (2) FORM.—The report required by this para-
2 graph shall be submitted in unclassified form, but
3 may contain a classified annex.

4 (g) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES
5 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-
6 gressional committees” means—

7 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Com-
8 mittee on Armed Services, and Permanent Select
9 Committee on Intelligence of the House of Rep-
10 resentatives; and

11 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations, Com-
12 mittee on Armed Services, and Select Committee on
13 Intelligence of the Senate.

